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**Examining Group Number 2854**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Curtis Gregory Kelsay

Examiner: Kevin D. Williams

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Docket No.: 10990356-1

Title: AN OPTICAL INTERLINK BETWEEN AN OPTICAL TRANSDUCER  
AND OPTICAL DATA PORT

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed on September 25, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 20, 28, 34, and 35 as follows:

Claims 1-19 Cancelled.

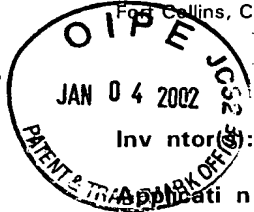
20. (Amended) A light pipe assembly adapted to optically exchange information between an optical transducer adapted to transmit and receive information optically and an optical data port, the light pipe assembly comprising:

a transmit light pipe adapted to optically transmit information optically transmitted by the optical transducer from the optical transducer to the optical data port; and

a receive light pipe adapted to optically receive information via the optical data port and optically transmit the received information to the optical transducer.

21. The light pipe assembly of claim 20, wherein a first end of the transmit light pipe is adapted to be optically coupled to the optical transducer and a second end of the transmit light pipe is adapted to provide a portion of the optical data port.

22. The light pipe assembly of claim 21 further comprising:



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Box Non-Fee Amendments")  
( ) Other: (fee \$ )

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(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$400.00	3RD MONTH \$920.00	4TH MONTH \$1440.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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